REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants thank the Examiner for the Notice of Allowance of December 01, 2008. Applicants are submitting this amendment to add computer system and computer program product claims. In view of the following discussion, the Applicants submit that none of the claims now pending in the application are directed to non-statutory subject matter under 35 USC § 101, anticipated under the provisions of 35 USC § 102 (e) or are obvious under the provisions of 35 USC § 103 (a). Thus, the Applicants believe that all of these claims are in allowable form.

If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues resulting in adverse action in any of the claims now pending in the application, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner telephone Ms. Janet M. Skafar, Esq. at telephone number (650) 988-0655 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Status of Claims

Claims 1-9, 11-13, 40-41, 46-54 and 56-80 are pending in this application.

Claims 10, 14-39, 42-45 and 55 have been canceled. Claims 59-80 are new.

The Addition of Non-Method Claims 59-80

In this amendment, Applicants are adding computer system and computer program product claims.

In the 07/01/2008 Office Action, method Claims 1-13, 40-41 and 46 were rejected under 35 USC § 102 (e) as being anticipated by the Graham patent (U.S. Patent No. 7,228,492). In the 07/01/2008 Office Action, method Claims 8, 10 and 47-56 were rejected under 35 USC § 103 (a) as being obvious over the Graham patent. Applicants amended the method claims and the method claims were allowed over the Graham patent.

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Applicants believe that new computer program product claims 59-69 and new computer system claims 70-80 are patentable over the Graham patent. Applicants hereby rescind any disclaimer that may be inferred from Applicants' prior cancellation of the non-method claims in this application.

Abstract

Because non-method claims are added, Applicants are submitting a new Abstract which changes: "a method displays information" to "a method, computer system and computer program product".

In the Specification

Because non-method claims are added, Applicants are amending paragraphs [0007] and [0008] of the "Summary of the Invention" of the specification to recite method, computer system and computer program product.

In the Claims

In the Office Action of May 21, 2007, the article of manufacture claims were rejected under 35 USC § 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. In response, Applicants amended independent article of manufacture 14 to recite "computer usable storage medium", and the rejection was overcome. Because independent computer program product claim 59 recites "computer usable storage medium", Applicants respectfully maintain that the computer program product claim 59 is directed to statutory subject matter. Claims 60-69 depend, either directly or indirectly, from Claim 59 and are directed to statutory subject matter for the same reasons as Claim 59.

New computer program product claims 59-69 correspond to allowed method claims 1-4, 6-9, 11, 41 and 46, respectively; and Applicants respectfully maintain that computer program product claims 59-69 are in condition for allowance.

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New computer system claims 70-80 correspond to allowed method claims 1-4, 6-9, 11, 41 and 46, respectively; and Applicants respectfully maintain that computer system claims 70-80 are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Consequently, the Applicants believe that all these claims are presently in condition for allowance. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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